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Exhibit 3

Replacement Paragraph for the second full paragraph, commencing with the words “thE assembly may be...” on page 5 of the application as filed, which paragraph is also a replacement for paragraph [0015] of the substitute specification submitted on 12 January 2009. The paragraph on the first page behind this sheet includes the markings to show all changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph. The paragraph on the second page behind this sheet shows the current full text of the paragraph as currently amended without any underlining or strikethrough.

The assembly may ~~be provided with means for manually disengaging~~ disengageable from one or more of the bearings to enable the bearings and/or carriage to slide with respect to the shaft. The middle bearing may be spring loaded with respect to the shaft whereby operation of the spring mechanism disengages the middle bearing from the shaft or manual disengagement may be caused by movement of a casing that carries one or more of the bearings in a direction transverse to the shaft, for example by means of a cam and lever. ~~The carriage or actuator may be provided with a means for operation of the spring or cam.~~